Dear

New Bedford April 25th
Sunday

Dear Lucia,

I was glad
to hear that you are in Boston
& I think you can do Lucy
most good — Tell her I hope
she will study hard & that
she must write to me soon —
You will receive a package monday
morning & as soon as you get it put
yourself write me a very long
letter putting in every thing you
can think of. Make Charles
do the same — Catch her &
put pen & paper in her hand
& make her write. Tell me
all about her Taunton visit —
& the most insignificant
thing that comes into your
head. Do the letters up together
with the pamphlets I mention
in Charles's letter & carry them
to the Marlborough for William
Coffin to bring down. I shall
get them early tuesday morn
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would be done by — Think how
we used to long for news some
-times at Weymouth — & then im
-agine a place 10 times more
barren & where letters are all
the comfort I have — Now
dont let this pathetic appeal
fail — Has any thing been
heard from Uncle Bates yet —
Write all about it; if there has
Is chance going to N York to
the annual meeting — If
she does will you tell Henry
that I think it is a duty he
owes the cause to insist upon
her having those teeth set
I hate to have flannel about
-tuneau proved out a hoax —
I aught to be there, to fix her
off — but you must do all
you can — If she has a new
straw bonnet tell her to
have it lined with such white
as she wore when she stood
bridesmaid to the Grunkes
at the state house

I want to have her look as well as she is susceptible of looking, among that vile & abominable — Tell Caroline to write to me by mail & not trust me altogether like a beast. I shall expect a letter from her every night till I get one. Send me any interesting thing you may have ~~Any~~ letter from any body — How the little chaps at Rome of the fair, they longed to fly at Maria but they didn't dare to — "then not afraid of God, afraid of me" Lay your letter to the steamboat at 5 o'clock & don't let me be disappointed, I shall have a commission fit — If I am Send there to Rome the next day. I wrote to her friday by mail, & shall write again before the middle of the week, ever yours D W

Carry the package to the
Marlborough by 3 o'clock ——
I send little Ann's gown ——
Here is the Chapman now.
best love to Henry & all

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